

Joint Meeting of Billfish and HMS Advisory Panels
DRAFT Agenda : February 10-12, 2003

HOLIDAY INN, 301-589-0800
8777 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring, MD 20910

Monday, February 10, 2003

- 1:00 p.m. Opening Comments**
Welcome/Introduction
Objectives of the Meeting
Informational References
 The HMS Process
 SOPPs
 Scientific Research
 Regulatory update
SAFE Report
2003 Rule Schedule
- 2:00 p.m. Adoption of the Agenda**
Priority within Topics/ Timing
Other Issues
- 2:15 p.m. Shark Issues**
2002 in Review
2003 Emergency Rule Update
- 2:45 p.m. Break**
- 3:00 p.m. Scoping for the HMS FMP**
 Shark Amendment
Issues Option Paper

AP Discussion
- 4:45 p.m. Break**
- 5:00 p.m. Scoping Meeting Continues - *Public Comment***
- 6:00 p.m. Adjourn**

Tuesday, February 11, 2003

8:30 a.m. Welcome

Billfish Issues

White Marlin ESA Status Review and
5-Year Management Review
ICCAT Recommendation and
Management Measures for over 250 Fish
New Permit and Reporting Requirements Update
Tournament Registration
Proposed Outreach,
Circle hook promotion
Improve communication

AP Discussion

10:00 a.m. Break

AP Discussion continued

12:00 Lunch

1:00 p.m. ICCAT Status Update
2002 Meeting Results
Spring Advisory Committee Meeting

AP Discussion

**2:00 p.m. Trade Restrictive Measures /Vessel Lists
Statistical Documents**

3:00 p.m. Break

3:15 p.m. Swordfish - 2002 and beyond
Stock Assessment/ICCAT quota
New Permit/Bag Limit/Reporting

AP Discussion

5:00 p.m. Bigeye, Albacore, Yellowfin, Skipjack Tuna
Data Collection/Management

6:00 p.m. Adjourn

Wednesday, February 12, 2003

- 8:30 a.m. Bycatch Issues**
Bycatch Reduction Measures Update
NED Experimental Fishery
BFT Incidental Catch Proposed Rule

AP Discussion
- 10:00 a.m. Break**
- 10:15 a.m. HMS Authorized Gear/ Permitting**
- 10:45 a.m. Bluefin Tuna**
Purse Seine Start Date
Commercial Minimum Size
ICCAT Quota
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. North Carolina Petition for Quota**
- 3:00 p.m. Break**
- 3:15 p.m. *AP Discussion and Public Comment***
- 5:00 p.m. Topics for 2nd 2003 AP Meeting (Location and Time)**
- 5:30 p.m. Adjourn**